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Archie's Roller coaster
by Al Hartley
POP CORN


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Roller Coaster
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WHERE'S THE TUNNEL OF LOVE ???
HOLD IT, ARCH !!!
25¢
U-PITCH
PRIZES
25
RIDE
WIN ME A PRIZE FIRST!
1


PRIZES
I WANT BARNEY BEAR !!!
PLAYO
WE CAN'T TAKE BARNEY BEAR INTO THE TUNNEL OF LOVE !!!
WIN
WELL, THEN YOU WON'T TAKE ME INTO THE TUNNEL OF LOVE, EITHER !!!
SIGH
OH, OKAY---
2



DON'T FORGET--- ---NO BARNEY BEAR--- ---NO TUNNEL OF LOVE !!!
WHOOOSH!
WHUP!
WHOOF!
PHLOP!
3


UN
WHIF!
OH, C'MON, ARCHIE---
---HIT IT!!!
I'M GETTING EMBARRASSED!!!
WELL, HOW DO YOU THINK I FEEL???
LET ME TRY!
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WHAM!
OH, REGGIE !!!
YOU'RE THE GREATEST !!!
WIN
I LOVE WINNERS !!!
WHAT ABOUT ME?
HERE--- MEATBALL !!!
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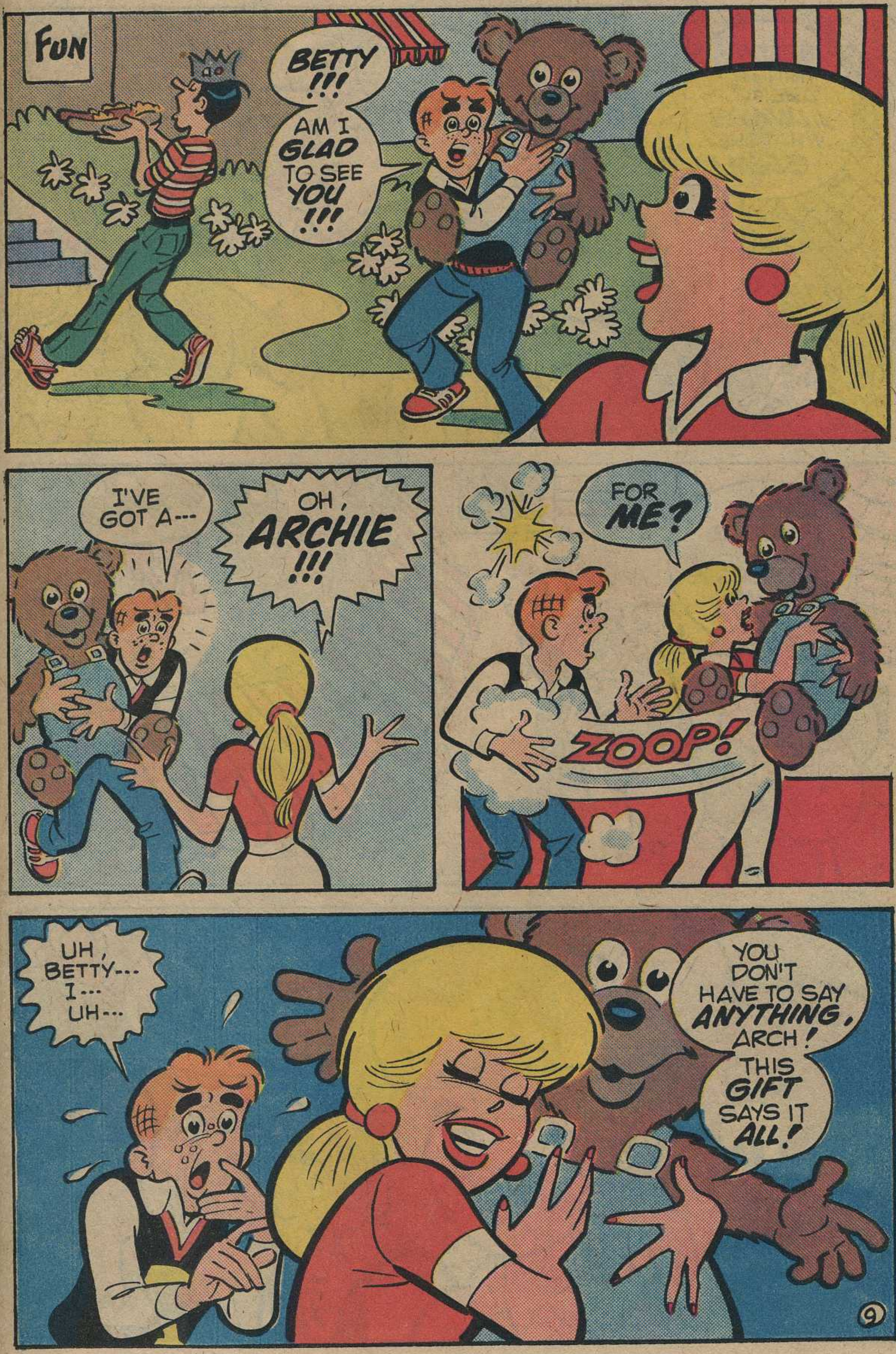


Archie
FUN
RONNIE! WAIT!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE MY DATE TODAY ???
YOU HAD YOUR CHANCE, ARCH---
---AND YOU BLEW IT!
BUT---
BUT---
BUT---
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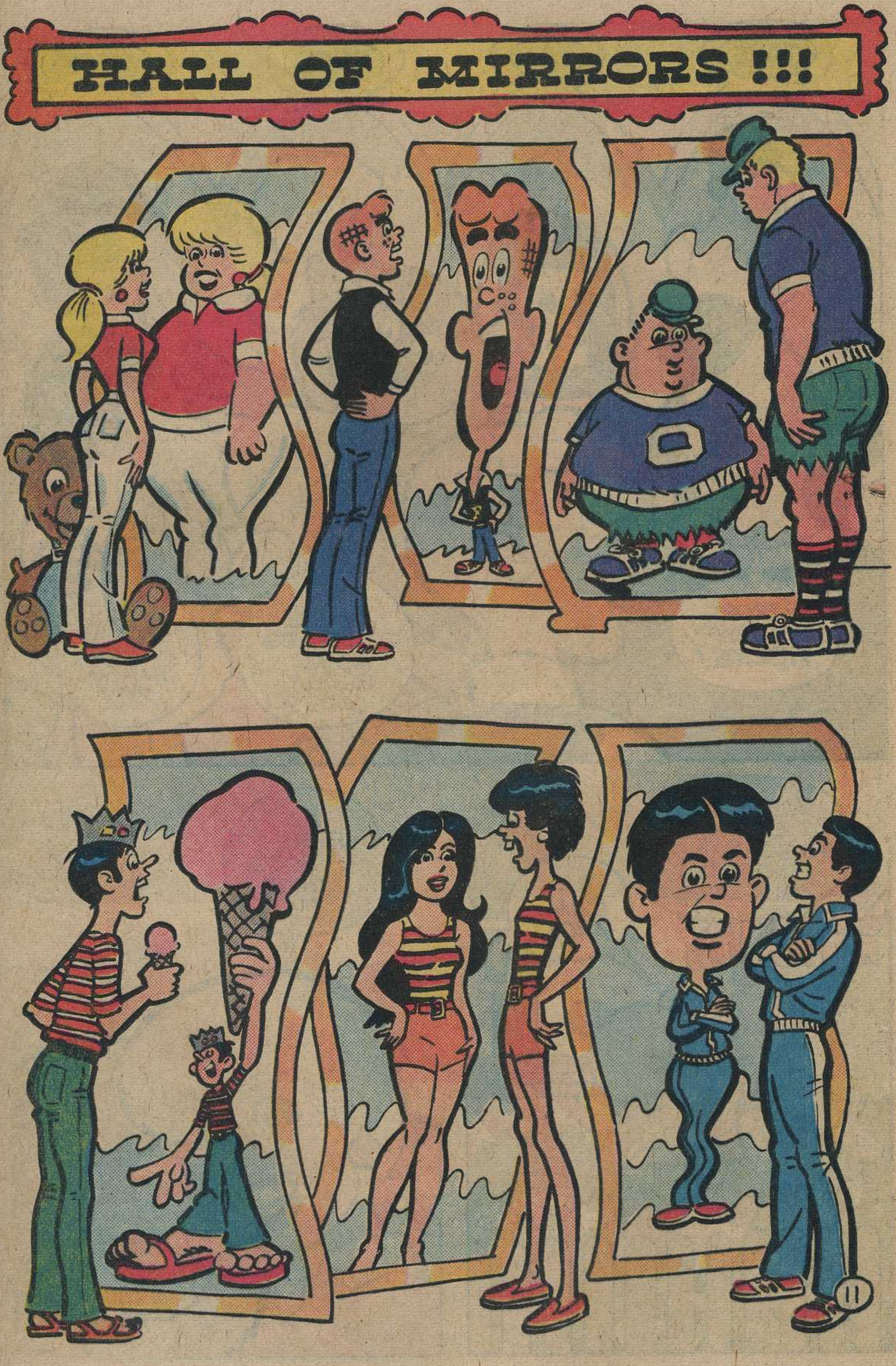


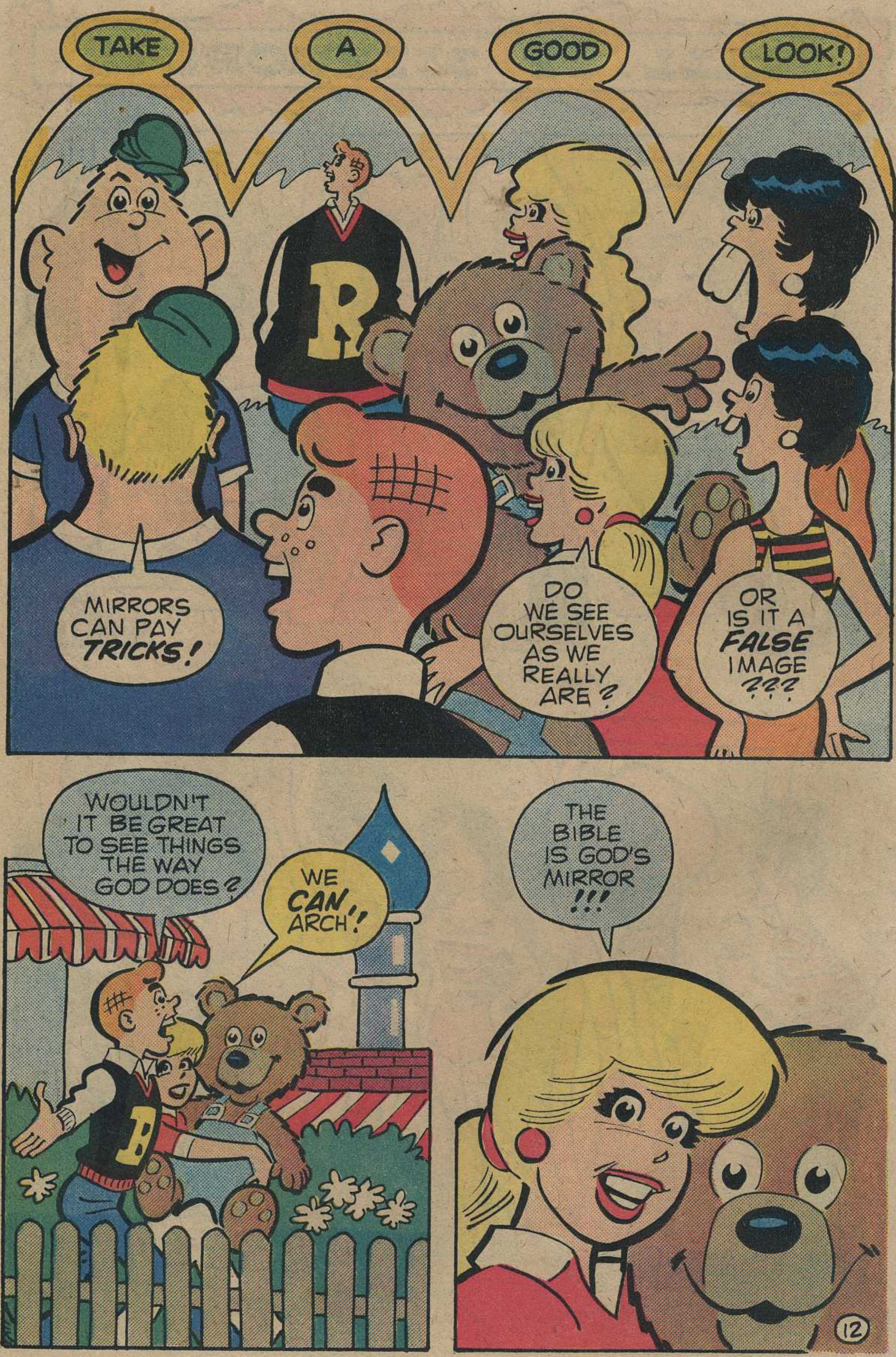
---BUT I TRIED---
OKAY! OKAY!
I'LL GIVE YOU ANOTHER CHANCE!!!
OOOF!
YOU CAN CARRY BARNEY BEAR!!!
IF YOU TAKE GOOD CARE OF BARNEY---
---MAYBE I'LL DATE YOU LATER!
SOD
7


LOOK, ARCH--- THE LONGEST HOT DOG IN THE WORLD !!!
TAKE A BITE FROM THAT END!
I'M NOT HUNGRY !!!
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE MISSING !!!
YES, I DO !!!
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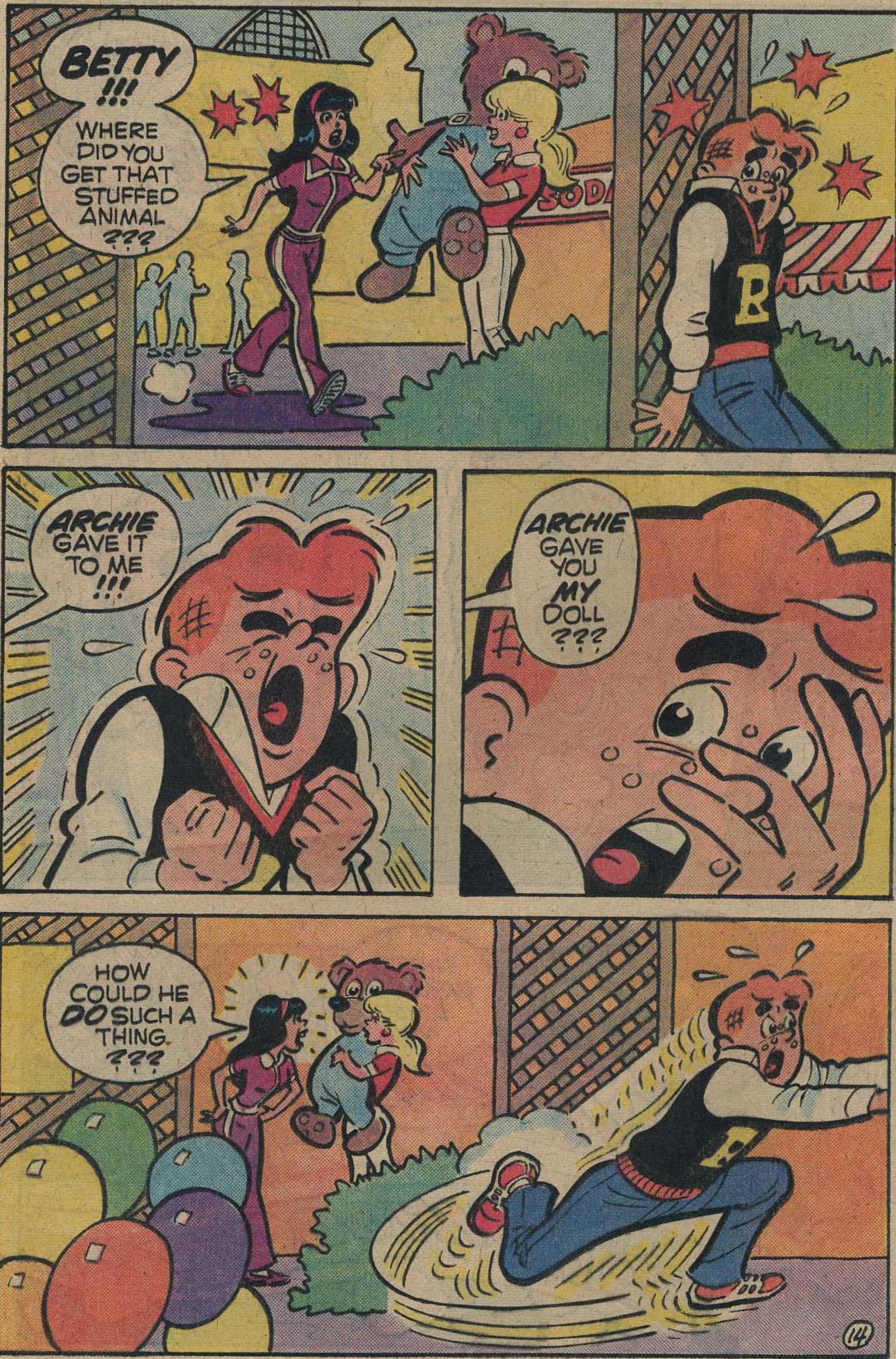

FUN
BETTY !!!
AM I GLAD TO SEE YOU !!!
I'VE GOT A---
OH, ARCHIE !!!
FOR ME?
ZOOP!
UH, BETTY--- I--- UH---
YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY ANYTHING, ARCH!
THIS GIFT SAYS IT ALL!
9


BETTY--- THINGS AREN'T ***ALWAYS*** WHAT THEY ***SEEM!***
I KNOW---
25¢
MIR
THAT'S WHY THE HALL OF MIRRORS IS SO MUCH ***FUN!***
IT'S GOOD TO BE ABLE TO ***LAUGH*** AT YOURSELF!


HALL OF MIRRORS !!!
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TAKE A GOOD LOOK!
MIRRORS CAN PAY TRICKS!
DO WE SEE OURSELVES AS WE REALLY ARE?
OR IS IT A FALSE IMAGE???
WOULDN'T IT BE GREAT TO SEE THINGS THE WAY GOD DOES?
WE CAN, ARCHI!
THE BIBLE IS GOD'S MIRROR!!!
12


WHEN WE LOOK IN THE BIBLE WE SEE TRUTH!
YIPE!!!!...
SOMETIMES THE TRUTH HURTS!!!
WIN
WHAT'S WRONG, ARCH???
WHOOSH!
13


BETTY !!! WHERE DID YOU GET THAT STUFFED ANIMAL ???
SODA
ARCHIE GAVE IT TO ME !!!
ARCHIE GAVE YOU MY DOLL ???
HOW COULD HE DO SUCH A THING ???
14


JUG!
I'M IN TROUBLE !!!
WHOOSH!
SNAXS
SO WHAT ELSE IS NEW ???
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO EXPLAIN THIS TO THE GIRLS !!!
HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY, ARCH !!! ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH !!!
THEY KNOW THE TRUTH !!! THAT'S MY PROBLEM !!!
15
HOW WILL ARCHIE COPE WITH THIS MESS?
WILL THE TUNNEL OF LOVE TURN INTO A HOUSE OF HORROR?
RIDE THE ROLLER COASTER TO THE EXCITING END !!!

YOU WRITE LETTERS...

SOME OF MY FRIENDS ARE INTO DRUGS, AND WE'VE GOT A REAL TUG-OF-WAR GOING ON! THEY'RE TRYING TO HOOK ME, AND I'M TRYING TO GET THEM OFF THE STUFF! I NEED LOTS OF PRAYER AND MY FRIENDS NEED IT EVEN MORE!

SCOTT B.
N.Y.C.

LORD, PLEASE KEEP SCOTT STRONG ENOUGH TO STAND UP AGAINST THE TEMPTATION TO GO ALONG WITH THE GANG! HELP SCOTT'S FRIENDS TO SEE THAT YOUR WAY IS A SUPER HIGHWAY, BUT DRUGS ARE A DEAD END!

MY UNCLE HAS A COMIC COLLECTION LIKE YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE! MY AUNT SAYS IT TAKES UP TOO MUCH ROOM AND SHE'S MAD! THEY DON'T GET ALONG TOO WELL! PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM!

KIM S.
CLOUIS, CA.

GOD, WE KNOW THAT COMIC COLLECTIONS ARE WORTH GOOD MONEY, BUT A HAPPY WIFE IS WORTH MORE! PLEASE HELP KIM'S AUNT AND UNCLE TO GET THEIR VALUES IN ORDER! AND THANK YOU FOR A NIECE WHO CARES!

I KNOW HOW BIG
ETHEL FEELS! I'
NOT GOOD-LOOKIN
EITHER, AND IT HUR
IT'S HARD TO FORG
WHAT I SEE IN TH
MIRROR, AND SOM
PEOPLE THINK IT'S
FUNNY TO MAKE
JOKES ABOUT ME

VERA
HOUSTON, TEX

LORD, PLEASE HEL
VERA TO KNOW THA
YOU LOVE HER FO
WHAT SHE *IS*--- NO
FOR HOW SHE *LOO*
THE PRETTIEST BO
WILL ALL GET OLD A
DECAY! OUR SPIRI
LIVE FOREVER! TH
YOU FOR ETERNAL
LIFE IN JESUS!

MY FOLKS DON'T GO TO CHURCH, AND I DON'T THINK THEY EVER PRAY TOGETHER. PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM BECAUSE I KNOW THEY'RE NOT HAPPY!

ROGER
MOBILE, ALA.

LORD, PLEASE GIVE ROGER'S FOLKS THE DESIRE TO GO TO CHURCH! LET THEM LEARN THE POWER OF PRAYER AND THE JOY OF WORSHIPING YOU TOGETHER!

I'M A HIGH-SCHOOL TEACHER AND I LOVE MR. WEATHERBEE! SOME OF MY STUDENTS BRING SPIRE COMICS TO SCHOOL AND I FIND THEM A VERY POSITIVE INFLUENCE IN A WORLD FULL OF SICK MAGAZINES.

GERALD S.
FT. MYERS, FLA.

LORD, HELP US TO ALWAYS RECOGNIZE GOOD FROM BAD! HELP US TO BE ON THE SIDE OF RIGHT AND AGAINST ALL THAT IS WRONG!

MY FOLKS WANT A
DIVORCE, AND I D
KNOW WHAT'S GOIN
HAPPEN TO ME! IF T
WOULD THINK ABOUT
THEY WOULDN'T BE S
SELFISH, AND MAYB
OUR FAMILY COULD
SAVED!

TINA
OWENSBORO, K

FATHER, WE PRAY T
TINA'S FAMILY WILL
DESTROY ITSELF!
PLEASE TAKE AWA
WHATEVER IS CAUS
THE TROUBLE! TEA
THEM THE GRACE C
FORGIVENESS. OP
THEIR EYES TO THE
BEAUTY OF THE LIV
RELATIONSHIP THEY
HAVE WITH YOU AN
WITH EACH OTHER

I WAS NEVER CLUED INTO THE BIBLE UNTIL I STARTED TO READ SPIRE COMICS! NOW I'M AMAZED AT HOW EXCITING THE BIBLE IS! IT REALLY HELPS ME TO UNDERSTAND WHAT LIFE IS ALL ABOUT!

BETSY B.
ENID, OKLA.

LORD, THANK YOU FOR THE TRUTH AND REALITY OF YOUR WORD! HELP US ALL TO READ THE BIBLE EVERY DAY, AND THEN TO LIVE OUR LIVES IN A WAY PLEASING TO YOU!

SPECIAL SECTION! SPECIAL SECTION! SPECIAL SECTION!

GOD ANSWERS PRAYERS!

MY FRIENDS LIKE TO COME OVER TO MY HOUSE TO READ MY SPIRE COMICS. SOMETIMES THEY TAKE MY COMICS HOME AND I DON'T GET THEM BACK! MY MOTHER SAYS THAT'S OKAY AND JUST BUYS ME MORE SPIRE COMICS! MOM SAYS THAT ANYONE WHO READS SPIRE COMICS IS BOUND TO BECOME A BETTER PERSON, AND SHE WANTS ME TO HAVE GOOD FRIENDS!

BEN K.
HAVRE, MONT.

DEAR LORD, WE THANK YOU THAT YOUR WORD ALWAYS HAS AN IMPACT ON LIVES --- EVEN THROUGH COMIC BOOKS!

I'M IN THE NAVY! AND THE MORE I SEE OTHER COUNTRIES, THE MORE I THANK GOD FOR AMERICA! I THINK AMERICA IS GREAT BECAUSE IT'S DEDICATED TO GOD! I'M SURE GLAD THAT EVERY SPIRE COMIC REMINDS US HOW GREAT GOD IS!

DICK M.
PACIFIC FLEET

THANK YOU, GOD, FOR OUR BELOVED COUNTRY. WE PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS AND ALL OUR PEOPLE! MAY WE ALWAYS BE THE LAND OF THE FREE AND THE HOME OF THE BRAVE!

I LIKE TO DRAW AND WANT TO BECOME AN ARTIST! I BELIEVE GOD GAVE ME MY TALENT, AND I WANT TO GIVE IT BACK TO HIM! PLEASE PRAY THAT GOD WILL GIVE ME OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE HIM AS AN ARTIST!

KEN F.
DAYTON, O.

GOD, YOU ARE THE AUTHOR OF CREATION! PLEASE BLESS KEN WITH A FRUITFUL CAREER IN ART AS HE COMMITS HIS TALENT TO YOU!

I LIKE THE WAY SPIRE COMICS ARE FUN, BUT THEY ALSO BRING THINGS DOWN TO EARTH! I MEAN THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS IN LIFE THAT PUZZLE ME! YOUR COMICS ANSWER MY QUESTIONS AND GIVE ME REAL HOPE FOR THE FUTURE! THANKS FOR BEING FAITHFUL TO GOD!

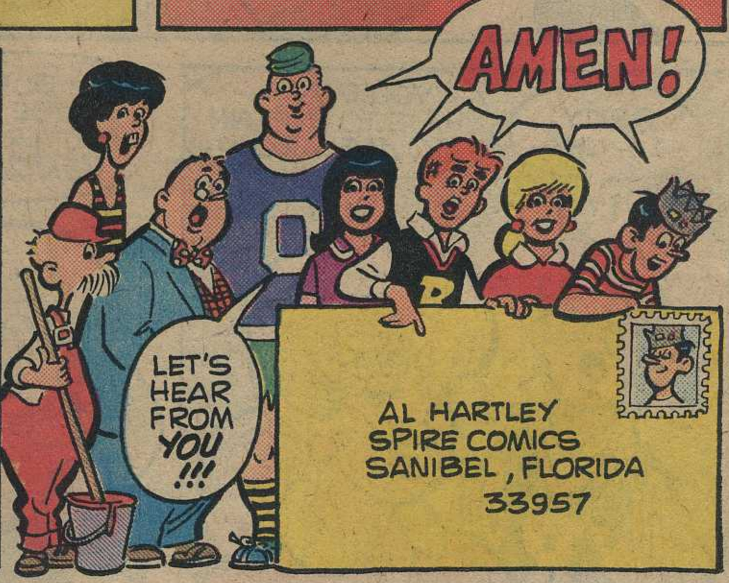
ANDREA D.
CASPER, WYO.

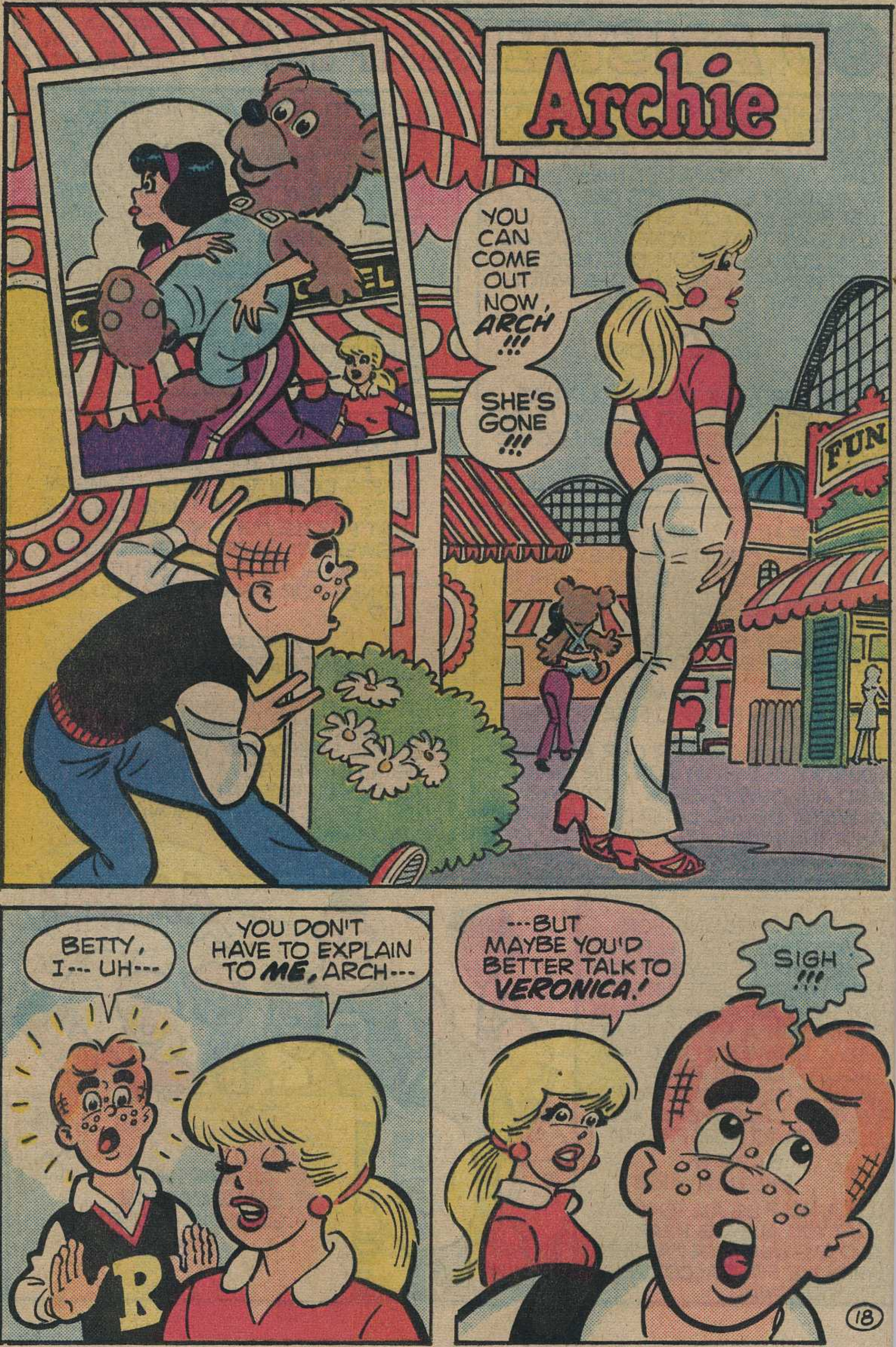
LORD, HELP US TO KNOW YOUR PLAN FOR OUR LIVES—THAT YOU WANT TO SHARE EVERY DAY WITH US! HELP US TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE NOT REALLY LIVING UNTIL WE KNOW JESUS AS OUR PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOUR!

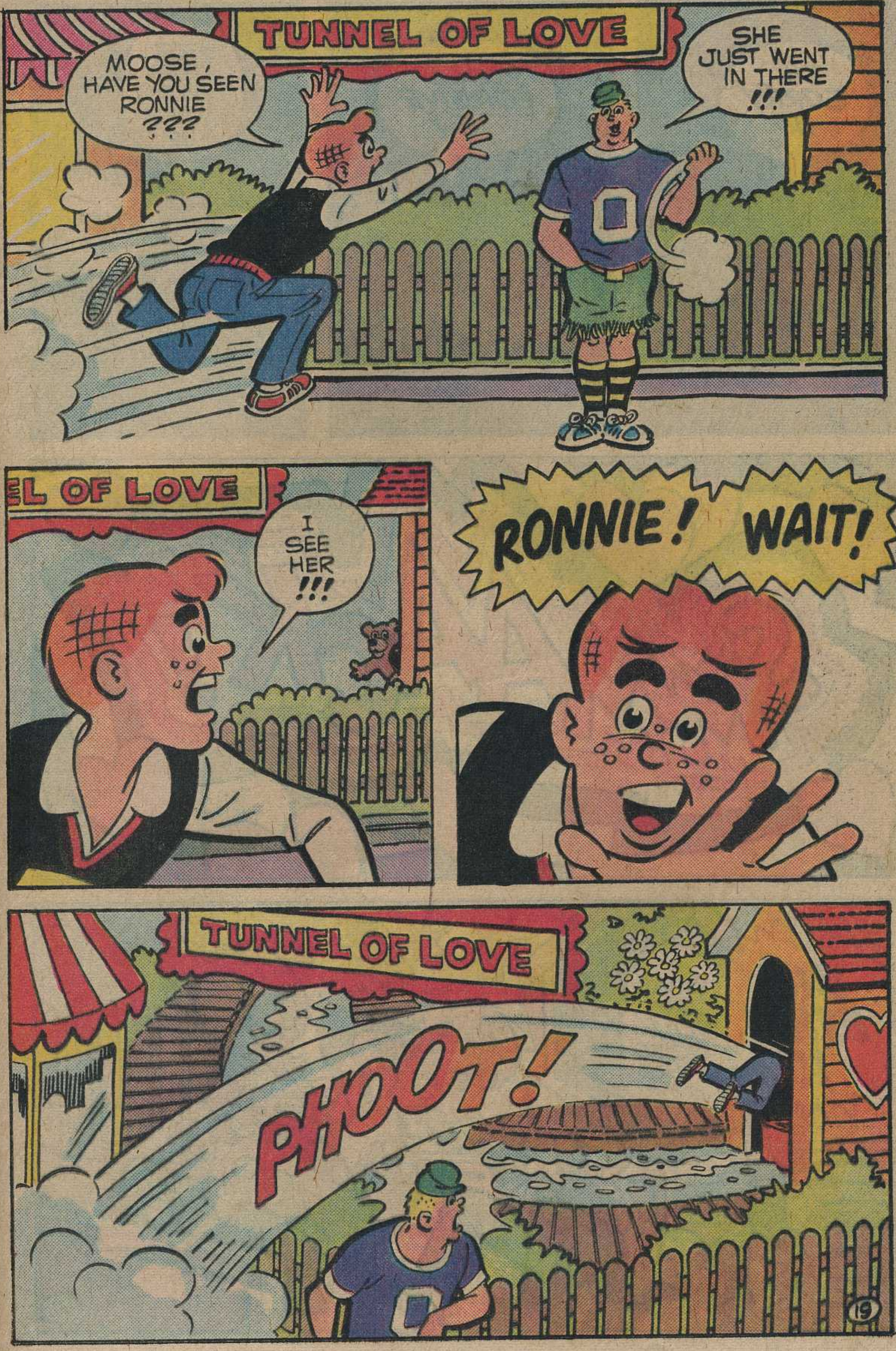
I'VE BEEN PRAYING FOR SOMETHING FOR OVER A YEAR, AND IT SEEMED THAT GOD WASN'T LISTENING! BUT HE JUST ANSWERED MY PRAYERS IN A REALLY NEAT WAY! I NEVER COULD HAVE THOUGHT OF THE FANTASTIC WAY GOD SOLVED MY PROBLEM! I'M GLAD I HAD THE PATIENCE AND FAITH TO KEEP PRAYING!

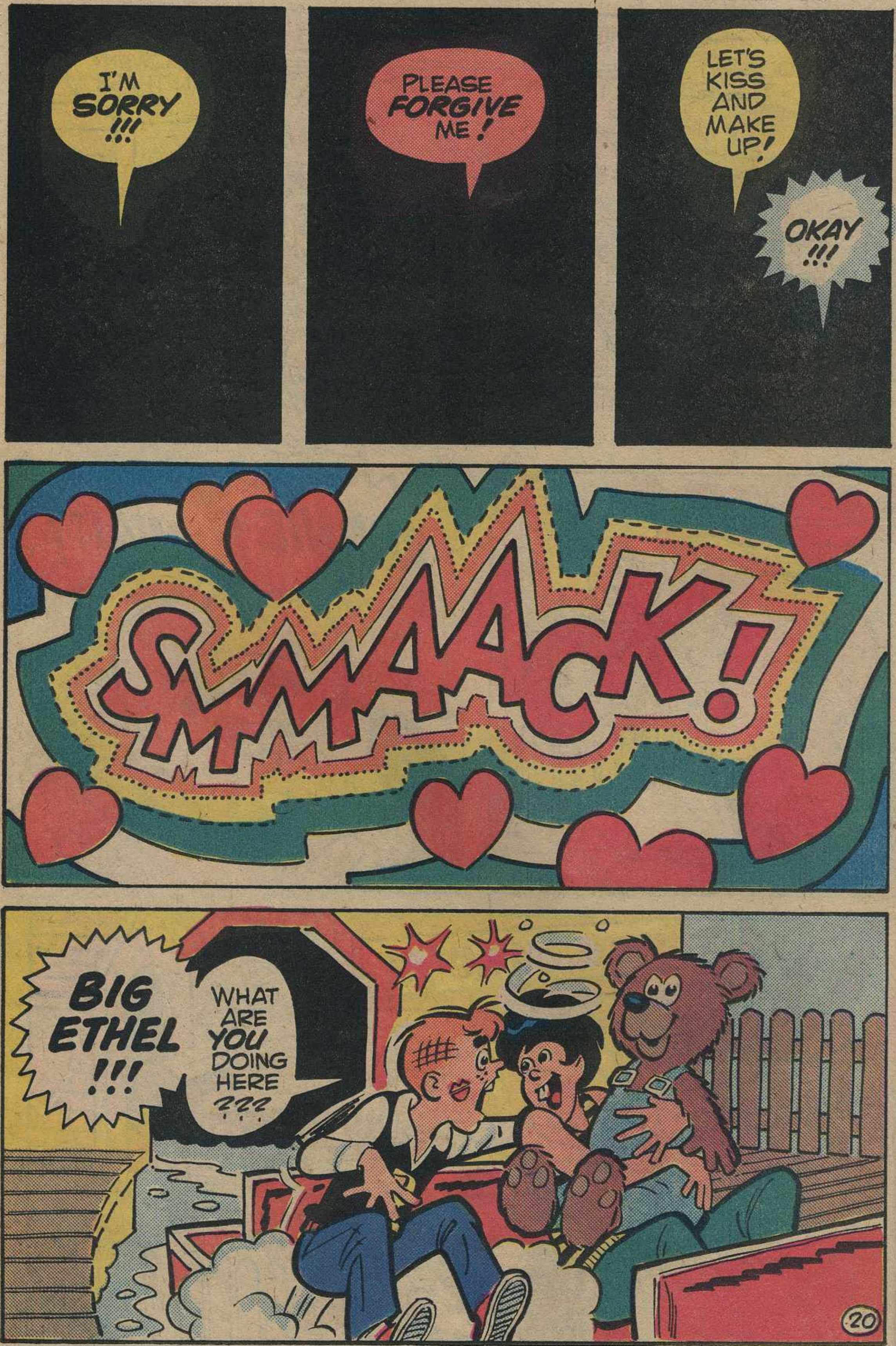
BARB N.
PHOENIX, ARIZ.

LORD, HELP US ALL TO KNOW THAT YOU ALWAYS HEAR AND ANSWER OUR PRAYERS WHEN WE PRAY ACCORDING TO YOUR WILL.




Archie
YOU CAN COME OUT NOW, ARCH!!!
SHE'S GONE!!!
FUN
BETTY, I--- UH---
YOU DON'T HAVE TO EXPLAIN TO ME, ARCH---
---BUT MAYBE YOU'D BETTER TALK TO VERONICA!
SIGH!!!
18


TUNNEL OF LOVE
MOOSE, HAVE YOU SEEN RONNIE ???
SHE JUST WENT IN THERE !!!
EL OF LOVE
I SEE HER !!!
RONNIE! WAIT!
TUNNEL OF LOVE
PHOOT!
19


I'M SORRY !!!
PLEASE FORGIVE ME!
LET'S KISS AND MAKE UP!
OKAY !!!
SMAACK!
BIG ETHEL !!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ???
20


VERONICA GAVE ME THIS DOLL--- ---AND I FIGURED IT WAS MY ONLY CHANCE FOR COMPANY IN THE TUNNEL OF LOVE !!!
ROSIE
I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO JOIN ME, ARCHIEKINS !!!
WHERE SHALL WE GO NEXT?
EXCUSE ME, BIG ETHEL!
ZIP!
I'VE GOT TO FIND VERONICA !!!
I'VE FOUND THE ULTIMATE SNACK, ARCH!
21



IT'S AN ENGINEERING TRIUMPH!
ARE YOU GOING TO EAT IT?
IT'LL TAKE SIX MINUTES!!!
WELL, I CAN'T WATCH! I'VE GOT TO FIND VERONICA!!!
HOUSE OF HORROR
SHE JUST WENT IN THERE!!!
THANKS!!!
THRILLS
22



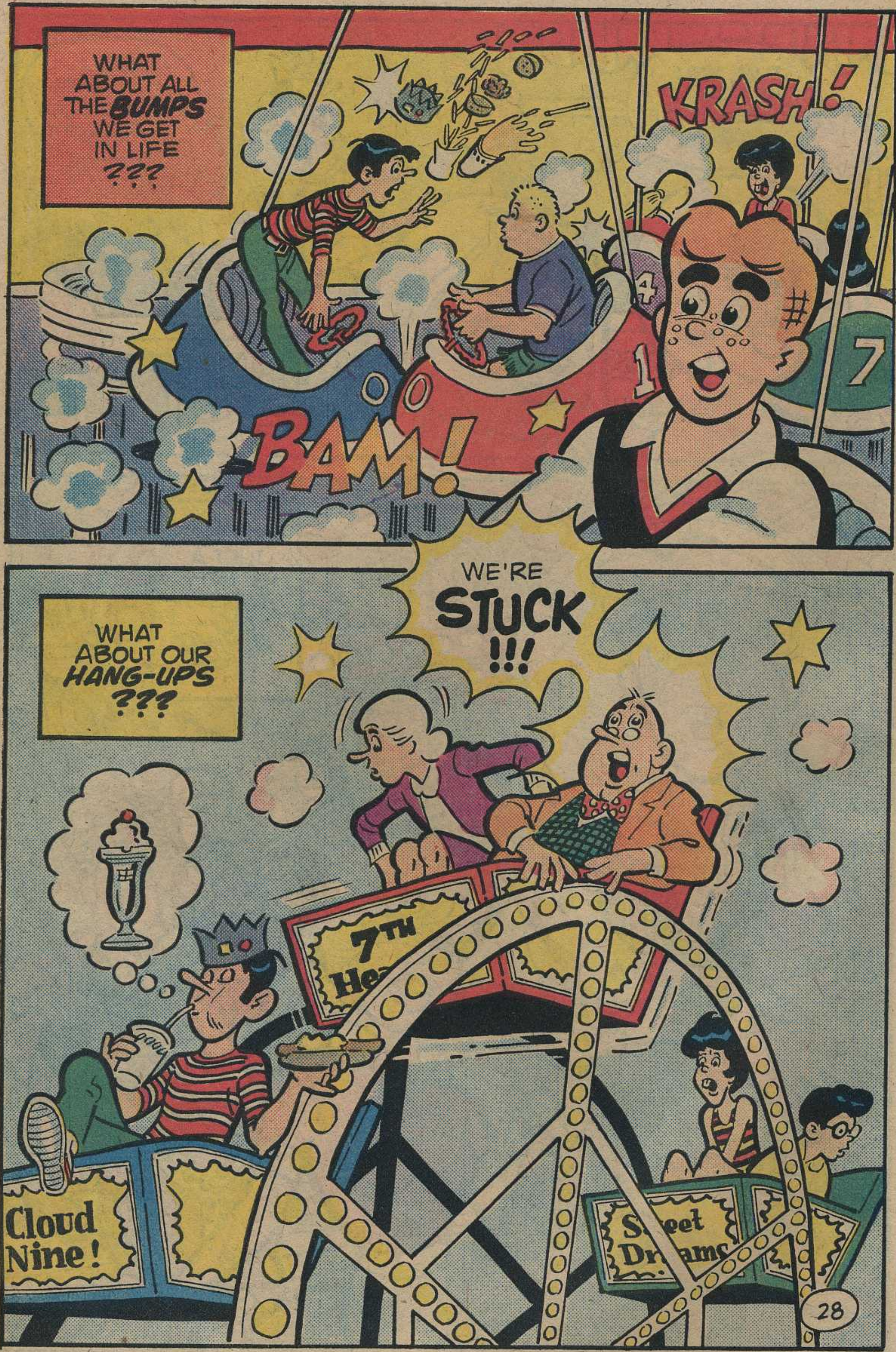
THIS IS SCARY, REG!
SCREEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
JUST STAY CLOSE TO ME!!!
OH, I WILL!!!
R.I.P.
HAHAHAROOOOOOOOOOOO
AIEEEEEEEEE

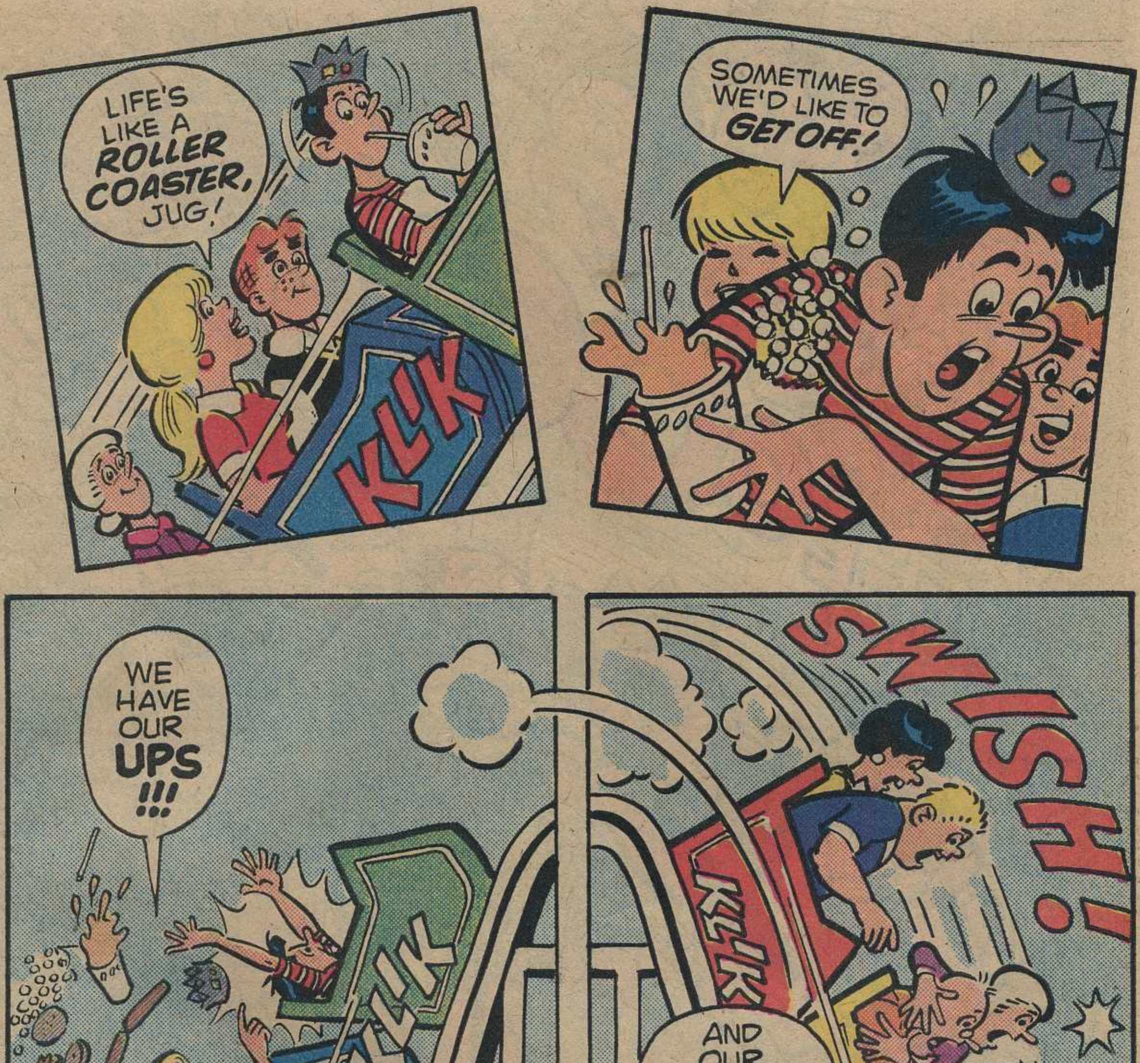

VERONICA!!!
SOMEONE'S CALLING MY NAME!
I RECOGNIZE THAT VOICE!!!
VERONICA
WHERE ARE YOU, VERONICA?
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KLOP!
BAM!
HOUSE OF HORROR
HELP!
I'M LOST!
I ALWAYS SAID HE WAS A CREEP!
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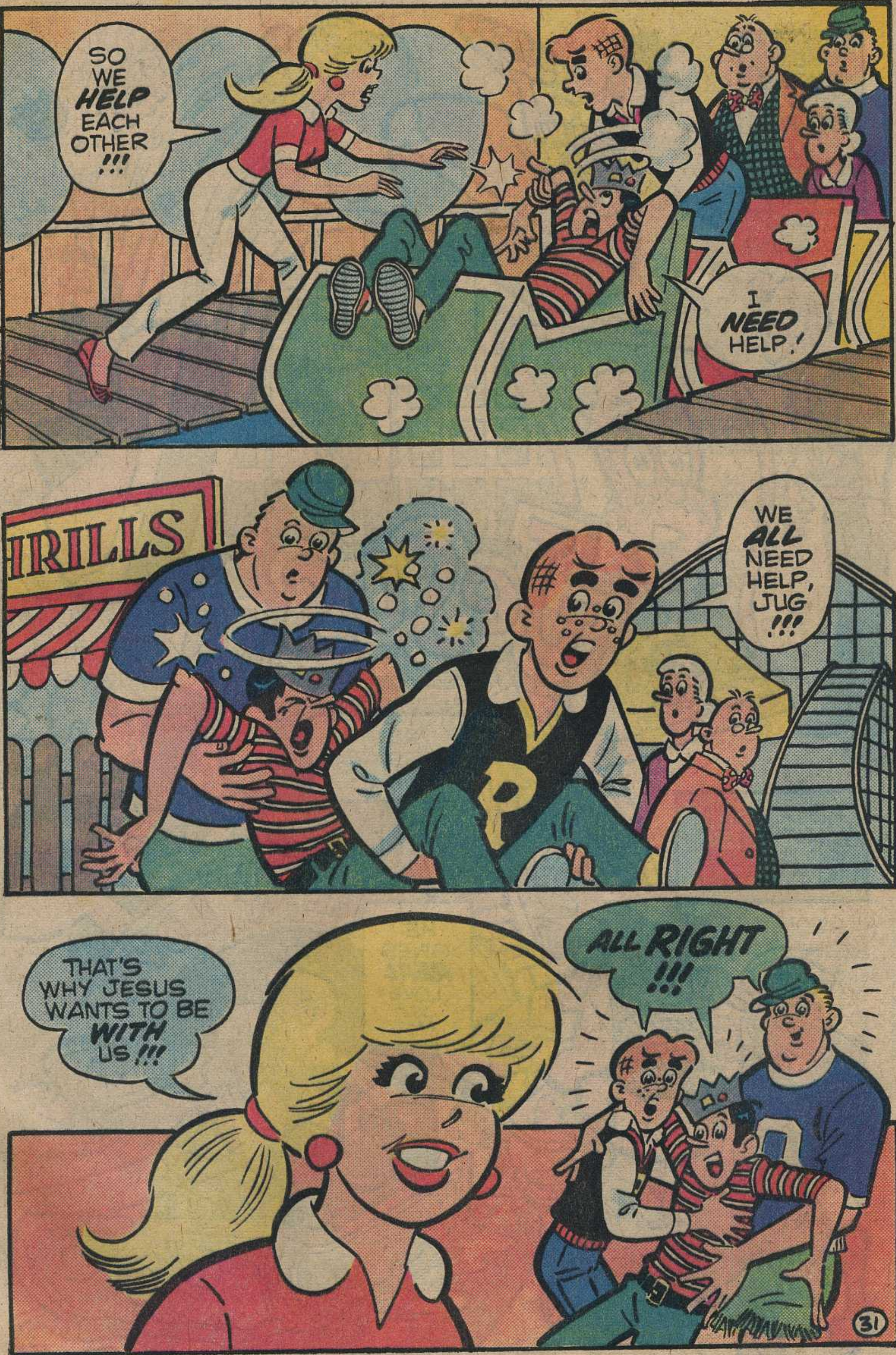

ARCH, WHY DO YOU DO THINGS THE HARD WAY ???
NOBODY ELSE HAS TROUBLE GETTING OUT OF THIS PLACE!
EXIT
HOUSE
SIGH I FOLLOWED MY HEART... ...AND GOT LOST!
I FOLLOW MY STOMACH... ...AND GET FULL!
SNAC
26


JUG, YOU JUST DON'T KNOW ABOUT GIRLS!
AND YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT FOOD!
AND WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT LIFE?
IS LIFE JUST A GIANT MERRY-GO-ROUND???


WHAT ABOUT ALL THE BUMPS WE GET IN LIFE ???
KRASH!
4
7
1
BAM!
WE'RE STUCK !!!
WHAT ABOUT OUR HANG-UPS ???
7TH
Cloud Nine!


LIFE'S LIKE A ROLLER COASTER, JUG!
KL'K
SOMETIMES WE'D LIKE TO GET OFF!
WE HAVE OUR UPS !!!
KL'K KL'K KL'K KL'K KL'K KL'K
SWISH!
KL'K
AND OUR DOWNS !!!
KL'KITY
29


YEEEOOOOW!!!
ZOOM!
BUT WE HAVE TO HANG IN THERE TILL THE END, JUG!
30


SO WE HELP EACH OTHER !!!
I NEED HELP !
HRILLS
WE ALL NEED HELP, JUG !!!
THAT'S WHY JESUS WANTS TO BE WITH US !!!
ALL RIGHT !!!
31


HE SHOWS US TRUTH--- NOT FANTASY !!!
HE'S WITH US IN THE HIGH SPOTS--- AND THE LOW SPOTS !!!
JESUS
HE TAKES AWAY FEAR!
HE DOESN'T WANT US TO GO AROUND IN CIRCLES!
EL of LOVE
HE GIVES REAL LOVE !!!
al Hartley

THE BEST FOR YOU!

YOU AND I SHARE A SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP THROUGH SPIRE COMICS! WE ENJOY ALL THE THINGS THAT MAKE COMICS EXCITING --- PLUS THE EXTRAS THAT FILL THE SPIRE SERIES --- PRAYER, FAITH AND A REAL DESIRE TO SEEK GOD'S BEST FOR OUR LIVES!

WE TAKE A SLICE OF LIFE IN EACH ISSUE AND PUT IT ALONGSIDE GOD'S WORD, AND WE SEE HOW PERFECTLY THE BIBLE FITS OUR LIVES!



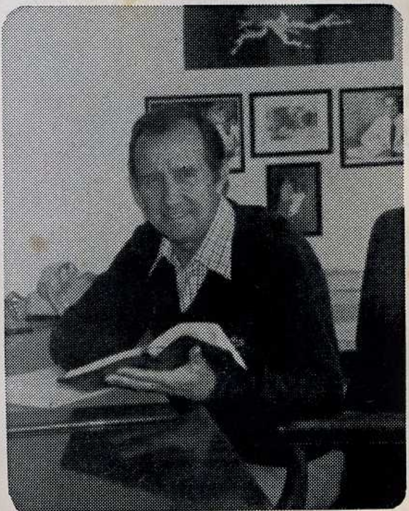
GOD LOVES YOU! HE WANTS THE BEST FOR YOU!

- GOD CREATED YOU AND GAVE YOU ***FREEDOM OF CHOICE!***
- YOU'RE FREE TO ACCEPT GOD'S LOVE, OR ***REJECT IT!***
- ACCEPTING GOD'S LOVE BRINGS JOY, PEACE AND ETERNAL LIFE!
- REJECTING GOD'S LOVE BRINGS TROUBLE AND CONFLICT!
- GOD KNOWS ALL ABOUT YOUR LIFE STYLE AND YOUR MISTAKES!
- GOD SENT JESUS TO FORGIVE YOU AND TAKE AWAY YOUR GUILT!
- JESUS MAKES YOU THE KIND OF PERSON GOD KNOWS YOU CAN BE!

GOD'S PROMISE:

"WHEN JESUS COMES INTO YOUR LIFE, YOU BECOME A BRAND-NEW PERSON! EVERYTHING CHANGES FOR THE BETTER! A NEW LIFE BEGINS!"

SEE 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17



YOU CAN PRAY THIS PRAYER RIGHT NOW--- AND KNOW HOW MUCH GOD WANTS TO BLESS YOU!

GOD, I WANT YOUR LOVE AND FORGIVENESS! (CONFESS YOUR SINS TO GOD) PLEASE HELP ME TO LET JESUS BECOME MY LORD AND SAVIOUR! I WANT YOUR BEST FOR MY LIFE. AMEN

YOU'LL FIND IT HELPFUL TO READ THE BIBLE EVERY DAY!* WHEN YOU PRAY, GIVE GOD A CHANCE TO SPEAK TO YOU! ATTEND CHURCH AND JOIN A BIBLE-STUDY GROUP. THE MORE YOU KNOW ABOUT GOD'S PROMISES, THE MORE YOU'LL KNOW HIS BEST FOR YOUR LIFE!

* START BY READING THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Trust God and He will bless you!

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